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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

In re:

PG&E CORPORATION,

- and -

**PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC
COMPANY,**

Debtors.

- ☐ Affects PG&E Corporation
☐ Affects Pacific Gas and Electric Company
☒ Affects both Debtors

** All papers shall be filed in the Lead Case,
No. 19-30088 (DM).*

Bankruptcy Case
No. 19-30088 (DM)

Chapter 11
(Lead Case)
(Jointly Administered)

**ORDER PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. § 327(e)
AND FED. R. BANKR. P. 2014(a) AND 2016
FOR AUTHORIZING THE RETENTION
AND EMPLOYMENT BERMAN AND
TODDERUD LLP AS SPECIAL COUNSEL
FOR THE DEBTORS EFFECTIVE AS OF
FEBRUARY 1, 2019**

1 Upon the Application, dated June 18, 2019 (the “**Application**”),¹ of PG&E Corporation
2 (“**PG&E Corp.**”) and Pacific Gas and Electric Company (the “**Utility**”), as debtors and debtors in
3 possession (collectively, “**PG&E**” or the “**Debtors**”) in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (the
4 “**Chapter 11 Cases**”), pursuant to section 327(e) of title 11 of the United States Code (the “**Bankruptcy**
5 **Code**”) and Rules 2014(a) and 2016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the “**Bankruptcy**
6 **Rules**”), requesting authority to retain and employ Berman and Todderud LLP (“**Berman and**
7 **Todderud**”) as special counsel for the Debtors in connection with litigation and claims arising from the
8 California energy crisis of 2000-2001, effective as of February 1, 2019, under a general retainer, all as
9 more fully set forth in the Application; and this Court having jurisdiction to consider the Application
10 and the relief requested therein pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334, and the *Order Referring*
11 *Bankruptcy Cases and Proceedings to Bankruptcy Judges*, General Order 24 and Rule 5011-1(a) of the
12 Bankruptcy Local Rules for the United States District Court for the Northern District of California (the
13 “**Bankruptcy Local Rules**”); and consideration of the Application and the requested relief being a core
14 proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b); and venue being proper before this Court pursuant to 28
15 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and the Court having found and determined that notice of the Application as
16 provided to the parties listed therein is reasonable and sufficient, and it appearing that no other or further
17 notice need be provided; and this Court having reviewed the Application and the Todderud Declaration;
18 and this Court having found and determined that the relief sought in the Application is in the best
19 interests of the Debtors, their estates, creditors, shareholders, and all parties in interest; and that the legal
20 and factual bases set forth in the Application establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and after
21 due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor,

22 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 23 1. The Application is granted as provided herein;
- 24 2. The Debtors are authorized, pursuant to section 327(e) of the Bankruptcy Code and
25 Bankruptcy Rules 2014(a) and 2016, to retain and employ Berman and Todderud as special counsel
26 in connection with litigation and claims related to the California energy crisis of 2000-2001 under a

27 ¹ Capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Application.
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1 general retainer, in accordance with Berman and Todderud's normal hourly rates and disbursement
2 policies for the Utility, all as contemplated in the Application, effective as of February 1, 2019;

3 3. Berman and Todderud is authorized to provide legal services to the Debtors with respect
4 to legal issues related to the California energy crisis of 2000-2001, including, but not limited to,
5 litigation at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and in various appellate courts, and with
6 respect to other electric regulatory matters that may arise;

7 4. Berman and Todderud shall be compensated in accordance with, and will file, interim
8 and final fee applications for allowance of its compensation and expenses and shall be subject to
9 sections 330 and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Bankruptcy Local Rules,
10 the Fee Guidelines, and any Orders of the Court;

11 5. Berman and Todderud shall be reimbursed for reasonable and necessary expenses as
12 provided by the Fee Guidelines;

13 6. Berman and Todderud shall use its best efforts to avoid any duplication of services
14 provided by any of the Debtors' other retained professionals in these Chapter 11 Cases;

15 7. Berman and Todderud shall provide reasonable notice to the Debtors and the U.S. Trustee
16 of any increase of Berman and Todderud's hourly rates as set forth in the Todderud Declaration;

17 8. To the extent the Application is inconsistent with this Order, the terms of the Order shall
18 govern;

19 9. The Debtors are authorized to take all steps necessary or appropriate to carry out this
20 Order;

21 10. This Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from or
22 related to the implementation, interpretation, or enforcement of this Order.

23 ** END OF ORDER **
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